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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MAREI AND DELEGATION

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1. APPRECIATE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REFTELS B AND C. THIS HELPS BUT WE STILL NEED TO NAIL DOWN DETAILS, AND HENCE REQUEST EMBASSY FOLLOW UP (WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH EGYPTIAN EMBASSY HERE, AS WE DO NOT WANT TO CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE TRYING TO BYPASS AMBASSADOR GHORBAL AND HIS STAFF.)

2. MOST URGENT IS NEED FOR DEFINITIVE COMPOSITION OF OFFICIAL PARTY. WE ARE NOW AT POINT WHERE APPOINTMENTS AND INVITATIONS ARE FIRING UP, AND WE MUST KNOW BOTH NUMBERS AND NAMES TO BE INVOLVED IN OFFICIAL EVENTS. SOMEWHAT LESS URGENT IS NEED FOR NAMES AND, AS APPROPRIATE, AFFILIATION(S) OF ACCOMPANYING SECURITY AND PRESS REPRESENTATIVES. WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW IF PARTY WILL COME BY
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SPECIAL OR COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.

3. CONCERNING REFTTEL C, SOME ELEMENTS ARE AT VARIANCE WITH OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HAS BEEN PLANNED. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR WASHINGTON PORTION OF VISIT AS FOLLOWS: (OUT
OF-WASHINGTON ARRANGEMENTS ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF EGYPTIAN

EMBASSY AND CONSULATES GENERAL.)

MONDAY - JUNE 19

0930 COURTESY CALL ON MAJORITY LEADER WRIGHT.

1000 COURTESY CALL ON MINORITY LEADERSHIP (EITHER MINORITY LEADER OR MINORITY WHIP)

1030 COURTESY CALL ON CHAIRMAN ZABLOCKI OF HIRC.

1100 COURTESY CALL ON MR. HAMILTON, CHAIRMAN, HIRC SUBCOMMITTEE ON NEAR EAST AND SOUTH ASIA.

1200 LUNCH WITH EDITORIAL BOARD OF WASHINGTON POST (ARRANGED BY EGYPTIAN EMBASSY)

1500 TOUR OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

1600 RETURN TO RAYBURN BUILDING FOR TEA/REFRESHMENTS.

1930 RECEPTION/BUFFET HOSTED BY CHAIRMAN ZABLOCKI AT HIS HOME.

TUESDAY JUNE 20

0945 COURTESY CALL ON SPEAKER O'NEILL
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1015 ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WITH HAMILTON SUBCOMMITTEE.

1230 LUNCH HOSTED BY HIRC. ALL LEADERSHIP WILL BE INVITED, AS WELL AS ALL MEMBERS OF HIRC AND SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF HOUSE.

1430 VISITS WITH MEMBERS OF BLACK CAUCUS/SENATOR BROOKE (ITEM EARLIER SUGGESTED BY EGYPTIAN EMBASSY), FOLLOWED BY TOUR OF CAPITOL.

1900 COCKTAILS AND DINNER/CRUISE ON POTOMAC ABOARD "SPIRIT OF 76" -- HOST WILL BE MAJORITY LEADER WRIGHT.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 21

A.M. SERIATUM COURTESY CALLS ON SENATORS BYRD, BAKER, (MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS RESPECTIVELY,) SPARKMAN, CHURCH AND STONE. REQUEST PENDING FOR CALL ON VP MONDALE AT HIS SENATE OFFICE.

1230 LUNCHEON HOSTED BY SFRC

1430 VISIT TO SENATE

1900 DINNER HOSTED BY SFRC.

THURSDAY JUNE 22

1100 MEETING FOR SAYED MAREI, AMBASSADOR GHORBAL WITH SECRETARY OF TREASURY BLUMENTHAL AND UNDERSECRETARY SOLOMON. (FYI: SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL MUCH PREFERS SMALL MEETING; OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION MIGHT PAY QUICK VISIT TO SMITHSONIAN DURING THIS TIME. WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EMBASSY VIEWS/SUGGESTIONS IF THIS PRESENTS PROBLEMS, ALTHOUGH EGYPTIAN EMBASSY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DOES NOT BELIEVE THIS WILL RUFFLE TOO MANY FEATHERS. END FYI.)

REQUESTS ARE PENDING FOR MEETINGS EITHER THURSDAY OR FRIDAY WITH PRESIDENT, SECRETARY BERGLAND, AND NSC ADVISER BRZEZINSKI.

DINNER AT EGYPTIAN EMBASSY

FRIDAY JUNE 23

1230 LUNCH AT STATE DEPARTMENT HOSTED BY SECRETARY VANCE.

4. IN ADDITION TO INFORMATION REQUESTED IN PARA 2 ABOVE AND MAREI'S REACTION TO TENTATIVE PROGRAM OUTLINED IN PARA 3, WE WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE CONCERNING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES WHICH DELEGATION MAY WISH TO ADDRESS DURING COURSE OF WASHINGTON STAY. INFO REQUESTED IN PARA 4 AND 6 OF REFTTEL B WILL FOLLOW SEPTEL. VANCE

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